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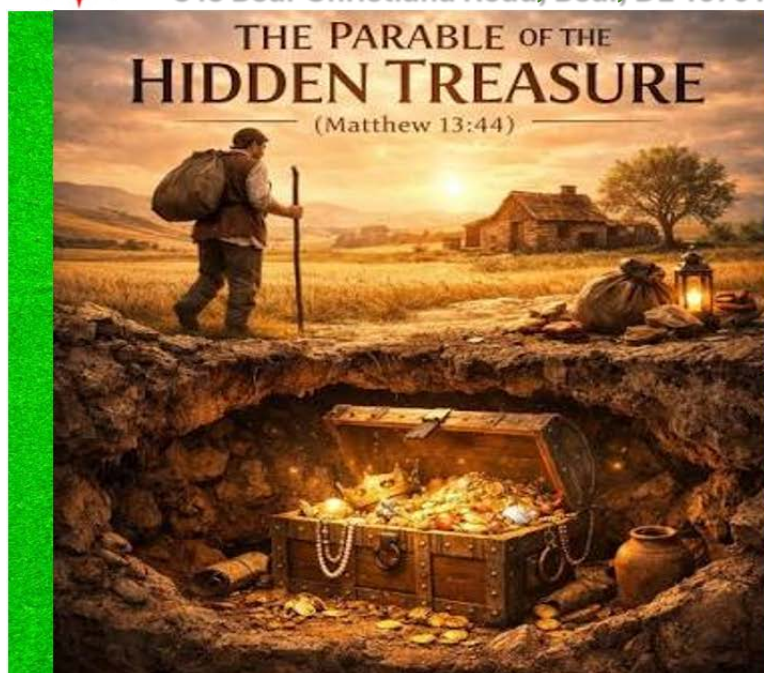
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Sunday, July 26, 2026

*17th Sunday
in
Ordinary
Time*

Vision...from the vantage point of Tradition

PASTOR: Fr. Norman Carroll 112

Email: frcarroll@setonparish.net

Deacon William P. Kibler, Pastoral Associate 119

Deacon Cruz Rodriguez, Hispanic Ministry 104

Deacon Jose Sanchez, Hispanic Ministry 124

PARISH OFFICE Email: office@setonparish.net

(Mon-Thurs: 9:00am-4:00pm; Fri: 9:00am-12:00pm)

Lucy Lopez (T, W) 100

Maxine Hall (M, Th, F) 103

Lisa Kennedy, Bookkeeper 108

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Deacon William P. Kibler 119

Cathy DeCrescenzo, Admin 101

LITURGY Deacon William P. Kibler 119

DIR. OF MUSIC Pat Maley

PRESCHOOL DIR Janet Gargani 215

OCIA Carol Wetty

OUTREACH Food/Financial Assistance 113

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Email: ChristTheTeacher.Org Phone: 302-838-8850

Pray for our seminarians: Deacon James K, Jakob B & Kevin H

MASS SCHEDULE:

Mon, Wed & Thu: 8:30am

Tue: 6:30pm

Sat: 4:00pm

Sun: 8:00am

10:30am

RECONCILIATION/CONFESSIONS:

Sat. 3:15pm or upon request after daily Mass

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Wed. 9-10am & 7-9pm

BAPTISM, MARRIAGE & ANNOINTING:

(Call Parish Secretary for information to register for classes, or to schedule appointment)

BAPTISM CLASSES FOR PARENTS

1st Monday of Month

Godparents are welcome to attend

CLASES DE BAUTISMO PARA PADRES

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Los padrinos son bienvenidos a asistir a las clases

HISPANIC MINISTRY OFFICE HOURS:

Wednesday: 10:00am-2:00pm and 6:00pm-8:00pm

REGISTRATION FORMS

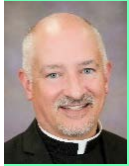
Parish and Religious Education Registration Forms are available in the Gathering Space.

"SETON PRAYS" COMMUNITY

Email prayer request directly to: pray@setonparish.net provide the category in which you would like the prayer request to be placed. Names will appear in the Bulletin for approximately six weeks.

MISSION STATEMENT: We, the Roman Catholic Parish of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, are an all-embracing, diverse Christian Community who warmly welcomes everyone to join us. We draw closer to God and one another through Eucharist, which nourishes us for service to our brothers and sisters. We choose to combine our many gifts to teach, celebrate, evangelize and help those in need proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus in word and deed. Amen

A Word from your Pastor...



In the first reading when asked by God for something, David responds and asks for an understanding heart to govern God's people. God is pleased with David's response. Of all that David could have asked for David he asked for something that would benefit his people. The Letter to the Romans challenges us to work with God so that all would come together for His purpose and His glory. So, when we hear the Gospel parable about the search for a buried treasure, what's the treasure you are in search of? Will it benefit more than you? When you find it, how will you know? We all need God with us in this search so that the longing of hearts is satisfied with the treasures we find and give our all for. May we find moments in our lives when we find that experience that resonates with our hearts leading us continually forward in the search. Like most things, the kingdom of God is equally about the search experience before the find.



"The revelation of His words sheds light, giving understanding to the simple."

Fr. Carroll



Recent communication from the diocese has us at \$150,398 which is \$19,198 over our target. In addition, \$640 came from reengaged givers and \$5,595 from new givers! Thank you! I do not have a current participation percentage. You can still contribute to increase the percentage and we can look at helping some of our Catholic School Families with some tuition.



PARISH & FAMILY LIFE COMMITTEE ~ Would you like to see more family-oriented events at Seton? Would you be willing to be a part of a committee to plan a few events for the year? We can look at a picnic, Fall festival, Movie night in the Hall or Group events at activity venues. Interested? Contact Fr Carroll



NEXT WEEKEND, AUGUST 1 & 2 is Kevin's last weekend with us. He will then have a few weeks break before heading to St. Mary's Seminary. Saturday, August 1 is also his birthday. Take a few minutes to thank him for his presence and encourage him after Masses this weekend. We will have some refreshments on Sunday.

Fr. Carroll



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM UPDATES

Coordinator: Deacon Bill Kibler~Ext 119

Admin Asst: Cathy DeCrescenzo~Ext 101

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

**REGISTRATION FOR THE 2026-2027 IN CLASS & HOME STUDY
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES ARE NOW OPEN!**

*If you are interested in becoming an Aide or Catechist,
please speak with Deacon Bill!*

New families registering for the first time must be officially registered in the parish for 1 year prior to being accepted into the program. Contact RE Office for details.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat, July 25	4:00pm	People of the Parish
Sun, July 26	8:00am	Rose Lind
YouTube	10:30am	Norma Morales
Mon, July 27	8:30am	Marie McFarlin
Tues, July 28	6:30pm	Janet Chalfant
Wed, July 29	8:30am	Marie McFarlin
Thurs, July 30	8:30am	Terry Zapata
Sat, Aug 1	4:00pm	Richard Thomas Egan
Sun, Aug 2	8:00am	People of the Parish
YouTube	10:30am	Mary Jane Sevier

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Isaiah 55:1-3; Romans 8:35, 37-39; Matthew 14:13-21



TO FIND OUT MORE INFORMATION ABOUT
ELECTRONIC DONATION VISIT:
setonparish.net/parishgiving

ST ELIZABETH ANN SETON PARISH July 2026 STEWARDSHIP

	ENVELOPES	TOTAL
5-Jul	Offertory	\$ 16,123.00
12-Jul	Offertory	\$ 10,505.00
19-Jul	Offertory	\$ 13,351.00
26-Jul	Offertory	\$
	OFFERTORY TOTAL	\$ 39,979.00
	SPECIAL COLLECTIONS	TOTALS
	CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA	\$ 342.00
	CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT	\$ 210.00
	LANDSCAPING AND SNOW	\$ 75.00
	ENERGY COSTS-FUEL & AC	\$ 284.00
	OUTREACH	\$ 100.00
	ST. VINCENT DE PAUL	\$ 213.00
	PRESCHOOL	\$ 285.00
	OTHER	\$ 7,718.00



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ~ BAYARD

HOUSE is currently under construction and will not be able to receive items from our baby shower. However, they are in desperate need of diapers size three (3) and up. We will be accepting donations and will be taken to Family Services. Place donations in Gathering Space through end of July.





FOOD PANTRY~ The Food Pantry is in need of powdered milk. NO CANNED GREEN BEANS, OR CORN PLEASE! All non-

perishable foods are accepted in the Food Pantry **with the exception of brown rice and baby food.** Thank you for your generosity. To obtain food, please phone 302-322-6430 and select option 3 or ext. 130 and leave a message if no one answers. Hours are M-F 9am-12noon to take calls: messages are answered during that time.



HAPPENING THIS WEEK:

Note that just because it is not published does not mean that a space is free to use.

Communication with the Parish Office for meeting space is essential to community)

Mon, July 27	-----	-----
Tue, July 28	-----	-----
Wed, July 29	9-10:00am	Adoration ~ Chapel
	7-9:00pm	Adoration ~ Chapel
Thu, July 30	11:00am	Crochet Group ~ Hall
Fri, July 31	6:00pm	Men's Choir ~ Church
Sat, Aug 1	-----	-----
Sun, Aug 2	2:30pm	SM Rel Ed ~ FC
Sun, Aug 2	4:00pm	SM Service ~ Church



SETON PRAYS

Email prayer requests to:

pray@setonparish.net

"LET US PRAY

For the repose of the soul of: Pat DiBella; Kristine (Krissy) Barlam; Ronald & Nicole Walters;

For those in need of healing: Frank Castore; Beverly McCool; Dom DiBella; Annette Guiberson; Peggy Louie; Joan Burlew; Isabel & Kate Durnan; Marcus Lang; Cindy Delasser; Deacon José Sanchez; Dee Ellis; Charles Hengel;

For the intentions of: The Seton Family



Deacon Bill know.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS - we are looking for a couple of Eucharistic Ministers that would be willing to help with distributing communion to the homebound on the weekend. If you can help out, please let

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

DINING FOR DOLLARS CONTINUES... Trattoria DiNapoli – Wednesday, August 12 – Lunch - Dinner take out or dine in 3:00pm-9:00pm. After last year's response they know to be prepared with more staff.

A new Fall fundraiser – **DENIM AND DIAMONDS** – Dinner Dance with outside caterer so that our community can come and enjoy a nice evening out – in denim and boots and/or dressed up – the rodeo meets the red carpet. Saturday, November 14, 2026.

SHAMROCK SHENANIGANS 2027 will be Saturday, March 13. St. Patrick's Day next year falls on a Wednesday and the following week is Holy Week with Easter on March 28.

BRANDYWINE POPS CHRISTMAS CONCERT with an added Parish Christmas celebration TBD – Wednesday, December 19



EACH YEAR OUR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM has to incorporate the Diocesan *Keeping Our Promises* curriculum, making children aware of normal behavior and interactions with others. Do you have experience in this area to assist our volunteer catechists with training?

Often there are great resources among us, and this is an area where some of you may have some experience and confidence to share with us. If you can assist in some way, contact Fr. Carroll or Deacon Bill Kibler.



OCIA ~ The 2026/2027 OCIA sessions for adults will begin on September 8, 2026. If anyone is interested in becoming a catholic or completing their initiation sacraments, please contact Deacon Bill Kibler (Bill.Kibler@setonparish.net). If you are in need of Confirmation only, please reach out to Fr. Carroll.



CATHOLIC MEN OF DELMARVA

**MEN FROM THE DIOCESE OF WILMINGTON
YOU ARE INVITED TO
THE CATHOLIC MEN OF DELMARVA'S
INAUGURAL CONFERENCE,
Saturday, October 3, 2026,
9 AM- 5PM (Closing Mass at 4 PM)
Saint Mark's High School, Wilmington, Delaware.
Conference Theme: Authentic Masculinity.**

Day includes music ministry; confessions; vendors; morning refreshments, lunch, and fellowship with men from throughout the Diocese.

Inspirational speakers include Father Larry Swink , Matthew Leonard, Gary Zimak, Father James Gebhart, Father John Solomon, and Deacon Philip Belt.

Closing Mass and Fellowship with Bishop William Koenig

For more information, go to DelmarvaCatholic.org



SCHOOL SUPPLIES - The Society of St. Vincent DePaul will be collecting school supplies for the children in need in our area. A poster board will be in the gathering space starting the weekend of July 18! Please feel free to take a picture of the items needed so you have it when you shop. We will be collecting items from July 26th through August 14th. Backpacks are needed for all ages. Other items include lunch boxes, folders, binders, highlighters, 2 pencils, pens composition and spiral bound notebooks, Fiskars scissors, pocket folders, hand sanitizer, lined paper and more! With your help, we can ensure that these children will have the necessary tools for a successful school year. Please return all items no later than August 14th! We will be packing these school supplies on Monday, August 17th and delivering them to Child, Inc. Thank you for your continued support of this very worthwhile project.



The St. Vincent de Paul Society will be selling Shopping Passes for **BOSCOV'S FRIENDS HELPING FRIENDS** event on Wednesday October 21st. The Passes are \$5 each, and will enable you to get 25% off most purchases. The Passes can be used in person and online. You can purchase them in the Parish Office during regular office hours or from a SVDP member. All proceeds will be used to help our Neighbors In Need.



SAVE THE DATE ~ The St. Vincent de Paul Society will be hosting a Fall Soup Night on Tuesday October 13th. Soup will be served from 5pm to 6pm. Please bring your own bowl and spoon. All proceeds will benefit our Neighbors In Need.

MORE PARABLES Matthew 13:44-52

"The kingdom of heaven is like a **treasure** buried in a **field**, which a **person** finds and hides again, and out of joy goes and sells all that he has and **buys** that field. Again, the **kingdom** of **heaven** is like a **merchant searching** for fine **pearls**. When he finds a pearl of **great price**, he goes and **sells** all that he has and buys it. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net **thrown** into the **sea**, which **collects** fish of every kind. When it is full they haul it **ashore** and sit down to put what is good into **buckets**. What is bad they throw away. Thus it will be at the end of the age. The angels will go out and **separate** the **wicked** from the **righteous** and throw them into the **fiery furnace**, where there will be **wailing** and **grinding** of teeth.

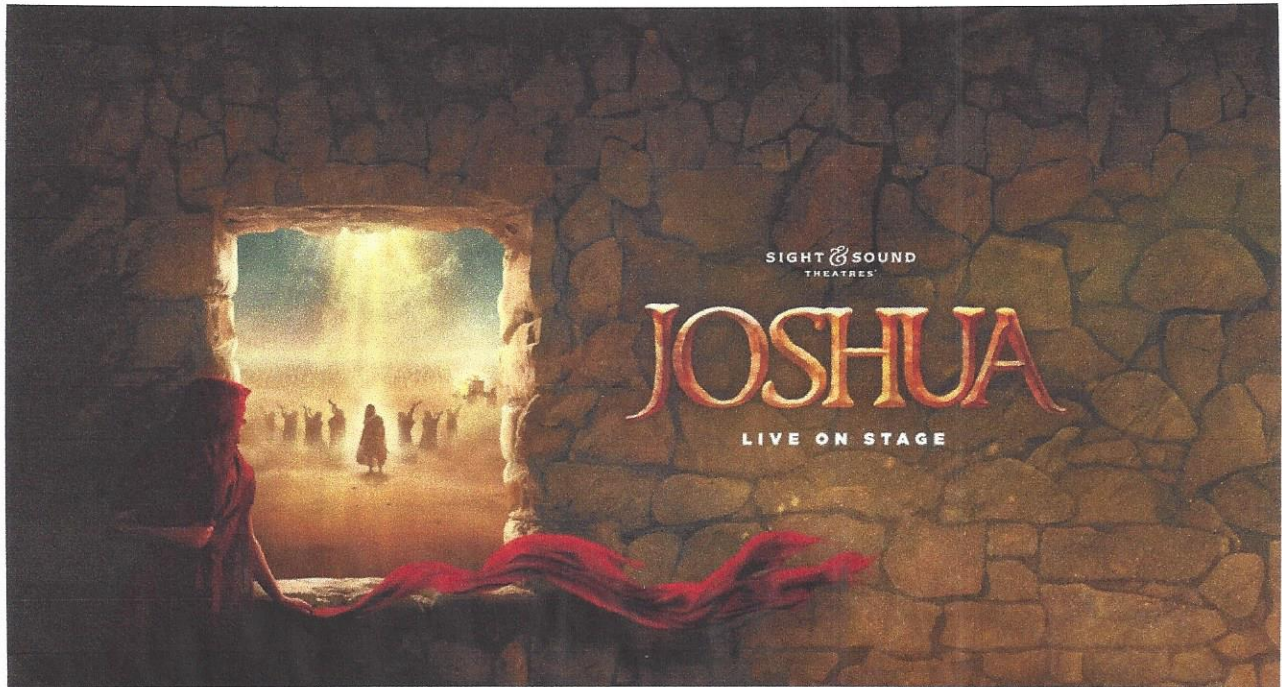
"Do you **understand** all these things?" They **answered**, "Yes." And he replied, "Then every **scribe** who has been **instructed** in the kingdom of heaven is like the **head** of a **household** who brings from his **storeroom** both the new and the old."

Find the **RED** words from the Scripture reading in the grid.

Words can be horizontal, vertical, diagonal or backwards.

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Join The Crochet Ministry as they travel to see

Joshua

At the Sight & Sound Theater in Lancaster, Pa

Date: Wednesday, September 30, 2026

Show Time: 11:00 a.m.

Bus Departs Seton Rear Parking Lot Promptly at 8:30 a.m. Please report by 8:20 a.m.

Cost per person \$160 Please contact Bill Mariano for tickets.

Bill requires a cell phone number and email address to contact ticket purchasers in case of any changes that may occur.

Price includes Bus Fare, Ticket to Show, and a smorgasbord lunch at Hershey Farm Restaurant in Strasburg, Pa. (Next door to Sight & Sound Theater) bus snacks and all Tips and Taxes.

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